(d) The scientific research is proposed in the field of Atmospheric Sciences, Space Weather, Glaciology including Sea Ice and Marine Sciences.

(e) It is proposed to send the first team of Indian Scientists to Arctic region this year.

Mini Anganwadi Centres

*97. SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of Mini Anganwadi Centres in the country;

(b) what are the services provided through these Mini Anganwadi Centres; and

(c) whether the workers of these Mini Anganwadi Centres are being paid the same remuneration as the other Anganwadi workers and helpers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) As on date, the total number of sanctioned Mini-anganwadi centres in the country is 36829.

(b) Earlier, only supplementary nutrition was being provided under the ICDS Scheme from the Mini-anganwadi centres. However, a decision has been taken recently to provide all the services under the scheme through Mini-anganwadi centres also.

(c) Presently, the Mini-Anganwadi Worker is being paid an honorarium of Rs. 500/- per month while the Anganwadi Worker is being paid Rs. 1000/- per month.

Committee constituted to check ragging

†*98. SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether on the direction of Supreme Court, Government have

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.